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## BAUCUS APPLAUDS SENATE CONFIRMATION OF MIKE FROMAN TO BE U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Finance Chairman: Ambassador Froman Will Make an Excellent U.S. Trade Representative

**WASHINGTON** – Senate Finance Committee Chairman Max Baucus (D-Mont.) today applauded the Senate's confirmation of Mike Froman to be U.S. Trade Representative.

"I am confident that Mike Froman will be an excellent U.S. trade representative," Senator Baucus said. "He is the right man for the job at just the right time. The trade deals we're currently negotiating have enormous potential for the U.S. economy and jobs. Mr. Froman will go into these negotiations fighting for our ranchers, farmers, businesses and workers. I'm looking forward to working with him to get these trade agreements done. And I'm looking forward to working with him to get Trade Promotion Authority done. Along with Trade Adjustment Assistance, TPA will lay the groundwork for a successful trade agenda."

During a hearing to consider Froman's nomination on June 6<sup>th</sup>, Senator Baucus said the U.S. needs a strong trade representative on the job as Trans-Pacific Partnership negotiations continue and free trade agreement talks with the E.U. ramp up. The committee approved Froman's nomination unanimously on June 11<sup>th</sup>.

Froman has most recently served as the assistant to the president and deputy national security advisor for international economics. He also chairs the Major Economics Forum on Energy and Climate, cochairs the Transatlantic Economic Council and plays an active role in the G20 and G8 summits. Froman also served during the Clinton administration in various roles at the State Department, National Security Council and National Economic Council.

In addition to his government service, Froman was a senior fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations, a resident fellow at the German Marshall Fund and worked in the private sector. He received his A.B. from Princeton University, Ph.D. in international relations from Oxford University and a J.D. from Harvard Law School.